DXpedition News

Pratas Island - BV9 **BV9P** is on from Pratas until 0700Z Mar. 25, on 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters, mostly SSB with some CW. See page 2 for more information.

Trindade Island - PYØT João B. Guimaráes Mendonça PY1UP will be active as **PYØTUP** April-August. No bands, frequencies, nor modes mentioned. QSL home address: P. O. Box 108.674, Alcántara, CEP 24 621-970 São Gonçalo RJ, Brazil. [He'll also be on 11 meters as 290-AT-Ø; QSL via 3-AT-146. -ed.]

Juan de Nova/Europa - FR/J/E **FR5ZQ/J** will be active for the next month or so. **FR5ZU/E** begins Mar. 29, for 4-5 weeks. For both, try 21247 kHz at 17-1900Z, and 14256 at 02-0400Z. FR5ZQ/J may also try some CW. QSL via home callsigns.

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Reserve Your Island - WPX SSB

- **PA6WPX** will be a multi-single entry in the test by the PI4COM group; QSL via PA3CAL.
- **BV94ARL** will commemorate the Chinese Taipei Amateur Radio League's annual meeting Mar. 26-27, on CW as well as SSB, on 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters. QSL via the BV bureau to direct to P O. Box 2006, Taichung 400, Taiwan ROC.
- **ZXØF** will be a multi-single effort from Fernando de Noronha, by the Araucária DX Group. QSL to Atilano de Oms PY5EG, P. O. Box 37, CEP 80001-970, Curitiba, Paraná, Brazil.
- **ZV7C** is the possible call of Mauri PT7CB, in a multi-single effort from Brazil.
- **IBØC** will be active in the test by IKØAZG; QSL IKØAZG. (OPDX.)

Reserve Your Island - WPX SSB

- **4U9ITU** will be a multi-single entry in the test by some Germans. Everyone will receive a QSL via the bureau. If you **must** send a card, go via the DARC bureau only to DK7UY. (DXPress.)
- **D3C** is the WPX callsign of D2SA; QSL F6FNU.

Shortly Noted

- **XE1/AH6MM** is active from Mexico until Mar. 29, from the shacks of XE1L and XE1VIC. Javier then goes to Puerto Rico Apr. 4-10, and will operate as **AH6MM/KP4**. QSL both operations via KC6CEX. (Use the 1994 *Callbook* address, and **not** the FCC database address.)
- **DL9GMM/5NØ** is active until the end of the year from Lagos, Nigeria. Mostly CW with 100 watts. See Bandpass for some recent spots. QSL via home callsign upon his return to Germany. (DXMB.)
- **FK8/DK7PE** Rudi has been noted on 1825 kHz at 1125Z, and will work other than rare DX. Also check 40-meter CW at 1100Z, and 20-meter CW at 0530Z. (OPDX.)
- **TY8OBO** has been postponed until some time in April.
- **YRØDCF** will commemorate the 625th anniversary of the founding of the city of Braila in Romania, during May. QSL to Paicu Marin YO4DCF, P. O. Box 49, Braila-1 R-6100 Romania.
- The **ZSØX** Penguin Island operation made 9,000 QSOs before Namibia took over, and **V59PI** made another 900 contacts, counting for the new IOTA entry. V59 is the new prefix for the Penguins. QSL the CW and SSB contacts direct only, with at least US$2, to Baldur Drobnica DJ6SI, Zedernweg 6, D-50127, Bergheim, Germany. QSL the RTTY and satellite contacts via DJ6JC, P. O. Box 1142, D-30881, Barsinghausen, Germany.
- **DXCC Backlog:** K2GPL reports a 13-day turn-around for a four-card DXCC endorsement, including mail time. The computer system is working well.
- **SSB Net check-ins: 14226.5** kHz (11,22Z): VP8CKN ZK1AT VR6DB ZD7KT S92YL TZ6JC C31SD VQ9FM FT5XJ ZK2XQ A35SQ; **14247** (23Z): ZD7BJ HK3MDD Z21HD J88BS 5X1F 5Z4BP D44AB TF3GC.
- **BOØK** will be active from Kin-Men Island Apr. 2-5, on 40, 20, 15, 10, and 6 meters, SSB and CW. QSL via the BV bureau, P. O. Box 93, Taipei, Taiwan ROC. This should be a New One for IOTA. **BOØM** will be active during April from Matsu Island, another New One for IOTA. Same info.
- **Islands On The Air: DL9OBQ** will be active from the Dutch Ameland Island (EU-038) Mar. 27-Apr. 6, on CW and SSB. Try the IOTA frequencies as well as 80-30 meters. PA callsign not known yet, but QSL via home call. **H44MS** Bernhard DL2GAC is active from Ontong Java Atoll (OC-192) until mid-April. **8R/N4VA** is Larry Vogt from Leguan Island, a New One for IOTA, beginning Mar. 28. Note the use of 8R/ instead of the 8R1/ he signs from the mainland. QSL the **EG9A** Alucemas Island operation via EA7MK. See Issue 728 for more information.

Propagation

Forecast and Historical Data

Day	Forecast	27 Days Before				55 Days Before			
March 1994		Date	Flux	A	K	Date	Flux	A	K
25	High Normal	2/26	94	03/05	0	1/29	102	06/08	0
26	High Normal	2/27	95	06/07	0	1/30	99	06/09	3
27	High Normal	2/28	93	06/08	1	1/31	98	05/07	0
28	High Normal	3/1	94	08/10	2	2/1	94	06/06	1
29	High Normal	3/2	98	14/12	3	2/2	96	12/16	1
30	Below Normal	3/3	101	23/27	2	2/3	98	07/10	2
31	Above Normal	3/4	98	01/04	1	2/4	95	08/08	3
April 1994									
1	High Normal	3/5	96	03/05	1	2/5	93	20/24	3
2	High Normal	3/6	96	07/09	2	2/6	95	46/57	5
3	Disturbed	3/7	91	36/53	4	2/7	96	49/54	5
4	Disturbed	3/8	91	38/57	4	2/8	95	50/56	4
5	Disturbed	3/9	90	33/52	4	2/9	101	34/34	5
6	Disturbed	3/10	88	25/35	4	2/10	94	29/31	3
7	Disturbed	3/11	88	24/37	3	2/11	93	36/41	3
8	Disturbed	3/12	93	33/36	3	2/12	98	29/36	3
9	Low Normal	3/13	90	21/22	2	2/13	98	24/28	5
10	Below Normal	3/14	87	25/30	4	2/14	101	23/28	3

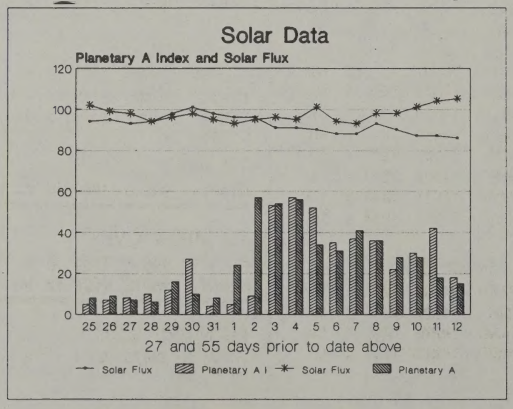
Propagation Watch

The bands have recovered somewhat from the highly disturbed conditions of mid-March. Unfortunately, this spell of relatively good conditions is forecast to be short-lived. Look for a return of Below Normal and Disturbed conditions as of early April.

Solar activity has dropped considerably, with flux levels as low the mid-80s. The brief burst of activity in January has not recurred. This bodes poorly for the near future, as solar activity is now expected to decline rapidly to very low levels, and stay there for the next couple of years. As of March 21, there were no visible sunspots.

The active geomagnetic field has essentially eliminated polar paths and long paths that pass through high latitudes. Between the lowered Maximum Useable Frequency (MUF) and the active geomagnetic field, DXers have been squeezed into 20 and 40 meters, with some 15-meter openings during the day. 30 meters is open much of the time, but this orphan band sees relatively little DX activity.

In the near term, look for a moderate increase in solar flux this weekend, providing a boost to the WPX SSB contest. Make the most of the conditions; they'll probably be the best we have for some time. Good hunting!



Pratas Island

by Martti Laine OH2BH

"As a result of very intensive talks in Taipei during the past week, another brief operation from Pratas will take place from Monday 21 March to Friday 25 March. BV2VA, BV4AS, BV4OB, and BV4TC will make touchdown at 12 noon BV-time Monday. No foreign operators will accompany this trip. Callsign **BV9P** will again be activated using normal DX frequencies. The operation will be mostly SSB but some CW can be expected as well. Two transceivers will be used: Yaesu FT-1000 and FT-990 with FT-7700 amplifiers into a Create tribander and wire antennas. QSL via BV2TA.

"All the operators are on their first DXpedition with their overall experience in amateur radio less than three years each. This operation will provide the ultimate challenge to the DX community to behave and cooperate with the operators in such a manner to allow the maximum number of QSO's to be made. The operators were provided DXpedition guidelines by N7NG and OH2BH which have been translated into Chinese.

"A decision was made to make this trip low-profile. There is considerable concern over the efforts of DXAC-member Charlie Summers KYØA, who is continuously demoting the issue of country-status for Pratas without foundation. Mr. Summers continuously makes claims of reefs and rocks between Pratas and Taiwan, but has been unable to provide any proof of such. Charts from several different sources have positively shown no rock or other land mass between Pratas and Taiwan for 225 statue miles, including the latest charts from the Hong Kong Marine Department. Mr. Summers has also gone to the extent of contacting authorities of the People's Republic of China to get a verification that Pratas is a sovereign possession of Taiwan. A basic knowledge of the political situation between the PRC and Taiwan would conclude such a query is pointless, and indeed may compromise amateur radio in both countries.

"This treatment of the Pratas situation has severely disappointed the spirit of DX in the Far East. An operation to Pratas of greater magnitude with foreign operators will be attempted once this issue with Mr. Summers is cleared up and the DXAC yields a positive ruling on the country status of Pratas."

Charlie Summers is out of the country for the next week, but DX Advisory Committee Chair Bob Beatty W4VQ noted that the DXAC has been waiting more than 11 months for answers to several questions the Committee had about Pratas. No response to these questions has reached the Committee from BV4VB as of March 20, and if none is forthcoming, Pratas will be removed from the DXAC agenda.

QSLs Received

- From managers: **4K2OIL** (DK8FS, 11 DAYS); **8Q7CR** (DF5JR, 1 MO); **9J2BO** (W6ORD, 2 WKS); **HC8A** (WV7Y, 2 WKS); **HV4NAC** (IKØFVC, 4 MOS); **KG4DX** (KØIEA, 10 DAYS); **KW2P/KP5** (NØTG, 12 DAYS); **OJØ/OH2BBF** (OH2BBF, 7 WKS); **PJ7/OH2LVG** (KE7LZ, 6 MOS); **PYØFZ** (PY7ZZ, 1 YR); **RU1A** (KE1WY, 10 MOS); **VP8BZL** (AA6BB, 2 MOS); **XF4CI** (XE1CI, 3 MOS).
- Direct: **4S7EF** (5 WKS); **9G1UW** (3 WKS); **AHØK** (3 WKS); **D44BC** (7 WKS); **FH5CB** (3 WKS); **J73LC** (1 MO).
- Bureau: **5W1GC** (7 MOS).

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*Key to Bandpass: Callsign, frequency, UTC, day of the month, state. * = long path. P = packet. All "portable" calls listed with country of operation first, regardless of format used on the air.*

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9

RTTY

4X6UO	21090	1548	19	FL
9I2A	14087	2155	18	FL
CT1AUR	14085	1625	14	MN
HK1KYR	14086	2320	16	CA
KG4CW	14083	1426	12	MI
OHØ/SK4BX	14080	1210	19	FL
OHØBBF	14082	1250	19	FL
SV2BFN	21095	1441	19	FL
TU4EI	14089	2125	11	MN
URØHQ	14081	1226	19	FL
UU9JWB	21088	1348	19	FL
ZP6EM	14083	0250	16	CA

160 Meters

6W6JX	1837	0315	14	MA
CM3RP	1834	0305	16	FL
DK7SU	1835	0430	11	CA
IT9ZGY	1832	0515	15	SC
IV3PRK	1832	0455	11	CA
PYØFM	1836	0427	9	SC
S59A	1830	0434	11	CA
YO3AC	1833	0251	16	FL
ZA1BM	1826	0525	15	SC

80 Meters

3B8CF	3507	0205	4	IA
5NØ/DL9GMM	3513	2300	8	MA
5R8DG	3510	2350	14	NH
CO2MA	3507	1055	12	NH
CO2VG	3507	0945	11	NH
CO2VP	3508	0425	14	ID
CT4DX	3506	0435	12	KS
EA8AB	3509	0045	15	FL
EA8ADJ	3510	0041	15	FL
EA8BUC	3510	0544	12	KS
EI2HI	3505	0044	15	FL
FG5FR	3510	0300	16	FL
FM5BH	3504	1019	11	NH
HBØ/DL9GFB	3506	0035	15	FL
HR1LW	35007	1155	19	FL
JA1CGM	3505	1000	11	NH
JA1HQT	3505	1013	11	NH
JA1JRK	3505	1007	14	NH
PZ1DY	3506	0535	11	KS
TA/OK1FCJ	3508	0414	15	SC
TA2BD	3501	0310	12	MA
UAØFR	3504	0940	15	NH
VK6HD	3503	1030	13	NH
YO8AEU	3505	2335	8	NH
YV5AAX	3505	1015	8	NH
Z21HS	3506	0407	10	NH
Z31VP	3509	2250	8	NH

75 Meters

6Y5IC	3799	0738	17	CA
C53HG	3789	2251	11	MA
CT1EEB	3789	0040	13	MN
HR2BDC	3797	0515	10	CA
HR2CRG	3796	0603	13	MN
KH3AF	3786	0533	10	CA
PYØFM	3790	0741	18	CA
VK6LK *	3798	2212	12	MA
VP2MO	3788	0425	17	CA

40 Meters

1C1AK	7007	2318	13	FL
3B8CF	7004	0245	3	IA
3D2KH	7004	1050	7	CA
3D2KR	7003	1203	7	AL
4K2OX	7004	0245	4	IA
5R8DG	7008	0305	3	IA
5W1GC	7011	0540	10	IL
5W1GC	7003	1218	11	AL
6Y5HN	7008	0834	13	CA
8R1/N4VA	7007	0246	10	AL
9I2Z	7007	2330	18	FL
BV2TA	7002	1455	12	CA
CP6EE	7015	0620	10	CA
EA6NB	7008	0518	11	SC
EA8AB	7005	0101	10	AL
EA9UG	7002	2256	16	FL
ER3MM	7017	2056	6	NH
EXØM	7008	1203	19	FL
FG/F6EID	7006	0220	14	FL
FS5PL	7012	0100	13	FL
HC5AI	7007	1102	10	CA
HP2CWB	7004	0412	9	SC
HR/N6OOE	7008	1108	10	CA
HR1LW	7007	1112	18	FL
HT1T	7005	0236	17	FL
JT1BH	7007	1240	7	AL
KH3AF	7184	0615	11	CA
PJ9JT	7006	0129	17	FL
PZ1DY	7005	0149	18	FL
PZ2AC	7004	0322	12	MN
SV1AKX	7005	0126	19	FL
T97M	7007	2317	5	NH
UX2HO	7008	0458	14	SC
VK7IK/3	7183	0843	14	IL
VQ9BB *	7007	1225	3	IA
YV6AZC	7006	0944	12	CA
YV6AZC/3	7002	0150	14	MO
Z21HS	7004	0436	10	CA
ZA1J	7003	0039	17	FL
ZK1AT	7205	0815	8	IA
ZL1AGY	7006	0842	2	MI
ZS1AAX	7003	0535	14	SC

30 Meters

4K1F	10101	0102	14	AL
5NØ/DL9GMM	10104	2350	9	MI
5U7Y	10108	2340	3	NH
5W1GC	10109	0522	16	CA
6W6JX	10106	0037	5	VA
9I2Z	10100	2225	17	FL
C53HG	10106	2250	15	FL
CP1OZ	10104	2249	15	FL
D44BS	10101	2000	9	NH
EA6ZY	10102	2345	4	GA
EA8AB	10106	2300	16	FL
EL2FD	10107	2323	13	FL
FO/F6BHK	10102	0509	17	CA
HR1LW	10108	1234	9	AL
KG4DX	10102	0205	10	AL
PYØFM	10108	0304	10	AL
TG8/NH6MG	10104	0450	10	SC
TI4/AA7JM	10104	2338	9	GA

20 Meter CW

3B8FG	14012	1259	13	AL
4K1F	14028	0140	13	CA
4N7DW	14015	1445	9	MI
5NØ/DL9GMM	14014	2051	14	SC
7X2FK	14020	2118	7	SC
8R1/N4VA	14025	1253	11	IL
9A3UF	14010	2124	7	SC
C53HG	14014	2226	12	MI
EA6ACD	14006	2124	7	VA
EA8BWN	14022	1944	7	VA
EA8BYW	14020	2055	14	MI
EL2FD	14018	2200	10	MD
EL2LE	14010	2151	18	FL
ER1CW	14025	1841	19	FL
ER3MM	14009	1214	13	MA
ES1WN	14015	1455	14	MO
EW8MW	14021	1618	14	ID
FG5FZ	14014	2342	8	VA
FY5YE	14022	2215	11	MO
HC5AI	14012	0022	11	MI
HH2MED	14005	1346	7	NH
ISØATP	14006	2148	7	VA
LU9EDY	14020	2320	14	MI
LX1DA	14010	1603	14	ID
PJ8NA	14023	2339	8	VA
PZ1DV	14007	2340	7	MI
PZ1DY	14020	2240	8	SC
S59CAB	14017	1605	14	ID
S92SS	14034	1938	19	FL
SV9BGH	14001	2048	7	VA
TG9AQ	14006	2315	8	VA
TI4SU/5	14027	0012	10	GA
TL8GR	14007	1612	5	NH
TU2XZ	14009	2306	7	VA
UAØBCO	14010	1430	5	MI
US7WN	14010	1322	10	MI
UX9IO	14007	1555	4	MI
V44KAI	14029	2353	17	FL
VR6MW	14011	0320	9	CA
VU2HJA	14006	1915	4	MI

20 Meter SSB

9L2SH	14209	2235	4	IA
D2EGH	14222	2110	2	IA
KC4AAC	14222	0200	13	CA
SV2ASP/A	14249	1238	3	CT
TU2CI	14217	2210	7	CO
Z37DRS	14217	2002	7	MD
ZD7BJ	14247	0131	11	CA

17 Meter CW

7Q7LA	18072	2325	15	FL
HH2JFO	18077	2306	16	FL
HP2CWB	18079	1935	7	NH
OM3CGP	18073	1844	19	FL
PJ9JT	18080	2012	14	SC
RKØFWA	18081	0100	13	CA
STØ/PA3CXC	18073	1844	13	FL
TA1AZ	18082	1449	6	NH

17 Meter SSB

CU1AC	18127	2025	14	SC
S92YL	18125	2130	10	SC

15 Meter CW

5T5JC	21020	1755	12	CA
5W1GC	21027	0030	14	AL
5Z4FN	21015	1515	12	MO
9J2BO	21023	1915	12	CA
CP1BA	21025	1549	13	IL
HJØVGJ	21026	2317	16	FL
HT1T	21025	1553	13	IL
PZ1DY	21026	1607	13	IL
S92SS	21008	2059	11	MI
TG9YV	21024	2212	18	FL
TL8GR	21024	1540	13	IL
TR8LT	21015	1400	4	IA
VU2PT	21025	1840	4	IA
VU2TS	21006	1650	12	CA
XQØYAF	21003	1730	6	NH
YS1DRF	21008	2235	12	MI
YV3JZ	21010	0155	12	CA

15 Meter SSB

5T5MS	21234	1405	4	IA
9J2FR	21360	2050	6	CA
HP1DGX	21280	1618	12	MA
HZ1AB	21206	1525	4	IA
OD5ZZ	21227	1445	4	IA
ZB2GR	21308	1345	4	IA

12 Meter CW

FO/F6BHK	24899	1858	14	MI
YV6AZC/3	24090	2155	14	SC
Z21HS	24897	1441	12	AL

12 Meter SSB

CT3FT	24940	1801	19	FL

10 Meter CW

5W1GC	28013	2329	10	IL
HKØDPA	28012	2028	12	VA

10 Meter SSB

VK2WCB	28470	0027	11	IL

Current and Future DXpeditions

(Changes and hot info in **boldface**.)

DXCC Country	Prefix	Callsign	Dates	Issue
Banaba Island	**T33**	**T33CS/KK**	**Mar. 27-Apr. 5**	**I724**
Benin	**TY**	**TY8OBO**	**April**	**I731**
Cambodia	XU	XU7UK	to Feb. '95	I724
	XUØHW/XU9HA		May 5-19	I726
Dodecanese	SV5/	Fs	Apr. 23-29	I730
Fernando de Noronha	**PYØFM**		**Mar. 2-30**	**I727**
Fiji	3D	3D2QB	now active	I726
Galapagos	**HC8**	**HC8A**	**Mar. 18-29**	**I730**
Guyana	**8R1/**	**N4VA**	**to April**	**I729**
Hong Kong	**VS6/KJ4VH**		**March**	**I730**
Johnston Island	KH3	AH6IO+	May 4-9	I729
Juan de Nova	**FR/J**	**FR5ZQ/J**	**to late Apr.**	**I731**
		FR5ZU/E	**Mar. 29-Apr.**	**I731**
Laccadives	VU7LI		now active	I728
Luxembourg	**LX4A**		**WPX SSB**	**I730**
Mariana Islands	**KHØ/JA1CMD**		**Apr. 2-6**	**I723/30**
	AHØT		**WPX SSB**	**I729**
Mexico	**XE1/AH6MM**		**to Mar. 29**	**I731**
New Caledonia	**FK/**	**DK7PE**	**now active**	**I731**
Nicaragua	YN	YN1EUG	to April	I727
Niger	5U	5U7Y	now active	I726
Nigeria	**5NØ/DL9GMM**		**to Dec.**	**I731**
North Cooks	ZK1AT		3784 07Z Sun.	I729
Pakistan	AP	AP2MIZ	21270/11Z	I730
		AP2JZB	21295/12Z	I730
Pitcairn Island	VR6	VR6ID	21290 1600Z Mon.	I716
Pratas Island	**BV9P**	**Mar. 21-25**		**I731**
Puerto Rico	**KP4/**	**AH6MM**	**Apr. 4-10**	**I731**
Rodriguez Island	3B	3B9FR	new bands	I711
Saudi Arabia	HZ	HZ1AB	1832± 02Z Fri.	I721
Somalia	**T5**	**T5YOU**	**Mar. 24-Apr. 4**	**I728**
		T5ØA	**WPX SSB**	**I730**
Spratly Islands	**1S**	**9MØA+**	**Apr. 2-5**	**I729**
Svalbard	JW	JW5EBA	Jan.-June	I719
Tajikistan	EY	EY8MM	3505/3795 02Z	I729
Trindade Island	**PYØ**	**PYØTUP**	**Apr.-Aug.**	**I731**
Turkey	**TA/FB1LYF**		**to mid-Apr.**	**I730**
Turks & Caicos	**VP5/W2HKM**		**Mar. 19-27**	**I727**
United Arab Emirates	**A61AD**		**Mar. 23-26**	**I727**
Zambia	**9I2A/M/Z**		**to Apr. 6**	**I724/6**
	9J2BO		24900 1530Z	I720

Operating Events and DX Gatherings

Dates	Event	Reference:
March 26-27	CQWW WPX SSB	CQ
April 2-3	Poland DX Contest	CQ
April 15-17	Visalia International DX Convention	I716
April 29-May 1	Dayton Hamvention®	

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DXCC Country	Callsign	Freq.	UTC
160 Meters	IT9ZGY	1832	0500Z
160 Meters	S59A	1829	0430Z
80 Meters	YV5AAX	3508±	1015Z
80 Meters	JA1HQT	3503	1015Z
Canary Islands	EA8AB	10106	23Z Wed.
Costa Rica	TI4/AA7JM	10102±	2330Z+
Ecuador	HC5AI	7004±	1100Z
Gambia	C53HG	14012±	2230Z+ Sat.
Guadaloupe	FG5FZ	14013	2345Z
Guatemala	TG9YV	21020±	2200Z+
Guyana	8R1/N4VA	7007	0245Z
Ivory Coast	TU2XZ	14010±	2300Z+
Kyrgyzstan	EXØM	7007	1200Z
Netherland Antilles	PJ9JT	18080	2000Z
Nigeria	5NØ/DL9GMM	14019	21-23Z Mon.

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